GOVERNMENT OF ANDHRA PRADESH
ABSTRACT

Public Services - Allegation of corruption against Smt. R.K. Vijaya Lakshmi (Dismissed from service), formerly Section Officer, ICM-1 Section, Minorities Welfare Department and SO, YAT & C Dept.- Convicted by the Hon'ble Principal Special Judge for SPE & ACB Cases, City Civil Court, Hyderabad on 29.01.2020 in CC No.9/2012 – Criminal Appeal No.170 of 2020 dated 05.06.2023 in CC No.9 of 2012 – Appeal is allowed by Hon'ble High Court of Telangana State by setting aside the judgment – Re-instated into service – Orders – Issued.

GENERAL ADMINISTRATION (SU.I) DEPARTMENT

G.O. Rt.No.2234 **Dated : 31.12.2024**

Read the following:

1. From the Director General, Anti-Corruption Bureau, Letter Rc. No.162/RCT-CR1/2010-S1, dated 13.07.2011
2. Judgment dated 29.01.2020 in C.C. No.9/2012 of Hon'ble Principal Special Judge for SPE & ACB Cases, City Civil Court, Hyderabad.
3. From the Director General, Anti-Corruption Bureau, Letter Rc. No.162/RCT-CR1/2010-S1 dated 31.01.2020 & dated 28.02.2020.
4. G.O. Ms. No.16, GA (SU.I) Dept., dated 31.01.2023.
5. Notice in W.P.No.3526/2023 of Hon'ble High Court of AP filed by Smt. R. K. Vijaya Lakshmi .
6. Judgment of the Hon'ble High Court of Telangana, Hyderabad in Criminal Appeal No.170 of 2020 dated 05.06.2023 in CC No.9 of 2012 on the file of the Principal Special Judge for SPE & ACB Cases, City Civil Court, Hyderabad.
7. Representations of Smt. R. K. Vijaya Lakshmi, Section Officer (Dismissed from Service) dated 21.06.2023 and 24.07.2023.

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ORDER :

Whereas it was brought to the notice of the Government that Smt. R.K. Vijaya lakshmi, formerly Section Officer, Indian Christian Minority Section-1, Minorities Welfare Department was trapped by the Anti Corruption Bureau authorities when she demanded and accepted a bribe of Rs.6,000/- (Rupees six thousand only) from the Complainant Sri M. Prabhudas, S/o Sri M. Naganna for processing the file to grant Indian Christian Marriage License under ICM Act.

2. And whereas, in the reference first read above, the Director-General, Anti-Corruption Bureau, Hyderabad furnished final report and in the reference third read above has informed that the Hon'ble Court of Principal Special Judge for SPE & ACB Cases, Hyderabad, pronounced judgment on 29.01.2020 in C.C. No.9 of 2012 and convicted Smt. R.K. Vijaya Lakshmi, Section Officer, Indian Christian Minority Section, Minorities Welfare Department, A.P. Hyderabad to undergo imprisonment for two (2) years for the offence punishable u/section 7 and 13(1) (d) r/w 13(2) of P.C. Act 1988. Both the sentences were ordered to run concurrently.

3. And whereas, in the reference fourth read above, the Government, in exercise of the powers conferred under clause (x) of Rule 25 (1) of Andhra Pradesh Civil Services (Classification, Control and Appeal) Rules, 1991 and G.O.Ms.No.2, G.A (Services.C) Department, dated 04.01.1999 read with G.O.Ms. No. 458, G.A (Services.C) Dept., dated 22.09.2009, Government have dismissed Smt. R.K. Vijaya Lakshmi, formerly Section Officer, Minorities Welfare Department and Section Officer, YAT & C Department, A.P. Secretariat, Velagapudi, Guntur district from Government Service with immediate effect, in view of the conviction of the Accused Officer vide Judgment dated 29.01.2020 in C.C No.9/2012, by the Hon'ble Principal Special Judge for SPE & ACB Cases, City Civil Court, Hyderabad.

4. And whereas, aggrieved by the above said dismissal order, Smt. R. K. Vijaya Lakshmi, Section Officer (Dismissed from Service) has filed W.P.No.3526/2023 before the Hon'ble High Court of Andhra Pradesh and the same is pending before the Hon'ble High Court of Andhra Pradesh.

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5. And whereas, in the reference sixth read above, the Hon'ble High Court of Telangana, Hyderabad have pronounced their judgement in Criminal Appeal No.170 of 2020 dated 05.06.2023 in CC No.9 of 2012 on the file of the Principal Special Judge for SPE & ACB Cases, City Civil Court, Hyderabad is as follows:

> "The appeal is allowed setting aside the judgment dated 29.01.2020 in CC No.9 of 2012 on the file of the Principal Special Judge for SPE & ACB Cases, City Civil Court, Hyderabad. Consequently, the conviction and sentence imposed against the appellant stands set aside.

6. And whereas, vide reference seventh read above, Smt. R.K. Vijaya Lakshmi, Section Officer (Under Dismissal) represented that having been aggrieved by the judgment of the Lower Court i.e Principal Special Judge for SPE & ACB Cases, City Civil Court, Hyderabad, she has filed an appeal bearing Criminal Appeal No.170 of 2020 before the Hon'ble High Court of Telangana, Hyderabad and the Appeal is allowed and the Hon'ble High Court of Telangana through its order dated 05.06.2023 set aside the judgment dated 29.01.2020 in CC No.9 of 2012. She has also represented that there is no order of conviction pending against her and once the lower court order is set aside by the Hon'ble High Court on 05.06.2023 the order of dismissal becomes infructuous and reporting for duty on 21.06.2023 F.N.

7. After examination of the matter, Government, hereby re-instate Smt. R. K. Vijaya Lakshmi, Section Officer, into service with immediate effect, subject to outcome of WP No.3526/2023 pending before the Hon'ble High Court of Andhra Pradesh. Smt. R. K. Vijaya Lakshmi, Section Officer is directed to report before General Administration (SU.I) Dept., for further posting.

(BY ORDER AND IN THE NAME OF THE GOVERNOR OF ANDHRA PRADESH)

DR. POLA BHASKAR
SECRETARY TO GOVERNMENT (SERVICES & HRM) (FAC)

To
Smt. R.K. Vijaya Lakshmi, formerly Section Officer, ICM-I Section, Minorities Welfare Department and Section Officer, YAT & C Dept., A.P. Secretariat, Velagapudi, Guntur district.

Copy to
The Director General, Anti-Corruption Bureau, A.P., Vijayawada.
The Director General, Anti-Corruption Bureau, Telangana, Hyderabad.
The Secretary to Vigilance Commissioner, APVC, Velagapudi.
The Minorities Welfare Department, AP Secretariat, Velagapudi.
The YAT & C Department, AP Secretariat, Velagapudi.
The Accountant General, A.P. Vijayawada.
The Pay & Accounts Officer, A.P. Vijayawada.
SC/SF (C. No:-1684346).

// FORWARDED :: BY ORDER //

SECTION OFFICER